ECFS - Email Filing <PROCEEDING>96-45 <DATE>02/08/2005 <NAME>frances mathews <ADDRESS1>3208 del mar terr <ADDRESS2> <CITY>pueblo <STATE>CO <ZIP>81008 <LAW-FIRM> <ATTORNEY> <FILE-NUMBER> <DOCUMENT-TYPE> RC <PHONE-NUMBER>719-545-8700 <DESCRIPTION> <CONTACT-EMAIL>mathews8@earthlink.net <TEXT> I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

My residential phone bill is already nearly doubled with the assortment of fees, including federal taxes that I already pay. I also have a prepaid wireless service that I use sparingly for safety, security and convenience.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely, Frances Mathews (an already overtaxed Senior citizen) 3208 DelMar Terr. Pueblo, CO 81008

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